

United States Army

Colonel

Robert J. Molinari

Commander

205th Infantry Brigade

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Colonel Robert Molinari, the son of a career Army Officer, was born in Frankfurt, Germany. He was commissioned a second lieutenant from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1992.

His first duty station was Fort Hood, Texas, serving in the 7th and 12th Cavalry Regiments (1st Cavalry Division) as a tank scout and support platoon leader from 1992-1996. Following completion of the armor officer advanced course, he reported to Fort Stewart, Ga., where he was assigned to 1st Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized). There he served as a brigade assistant plans and training officer and deployed to Egypt for Operation Bright Star in 1997 and to Kuwait for Operation Desert Thunder in 1998. While deployed to Kuwait, he assumed command of B Company, 3rd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment and later took command of the Battalion's Headquarters Company.

In 2000, Colonel Molinari was assigned to Operations Group, National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif., where he served as the OPS GRP adjutant, a battalion maintenance trainer and an infantry company trainer.

Following attendance at military schooling, in 2005, he reported to the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment at Fort Carson, Colo., where he served as the regimental planner in Tall Afar, Iraq and a squadron operations officer in Baghdad as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) from 2005-2006. Following the regiment's BRAC move to Fort Hood, he served as the squadron executive officer and later served as the regimental operations officer and regimental executive officer while deployed to OIF from 2007-2009 in Ninewa Province, Iraq.

In 2009, Colonel Molinari reported to Schofield Barracks, Hawaii and assumed command of 1st Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment (Stryker), 25th Infantry Division. He commanded the battalion through its deployment in support of OIF/Operation New Dawn from 2010-2011 in Diyala Province, Iraq.

In 2011, Colonel Molinari then reported to the Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) at Fort Polk, La., where he served as a squadron and brigade mission command trainer, preparing 15 brigade combat teams and advisors for deployment to Afghanistan and Operation Enduring Freedom.

In 2013, he reported to the United States Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., and graduated in June 2014.

Colonel Molinari's decorations include the Bronze Star for Valor; Bronze Star Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters; Meritorious Service Medal with silver OLC; Army Commendation Medal with three OLC and the Army Achievement Medal with silver OLC. He holds four Masters degrees, including one in Business Administration and another in National Security and Strategic Studies.